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Charleston Man Arrested on Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor charge

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of Terry Charles Mason (DOB: 1987) of Charleston, South Carolina on five (5) charges connected to sexual exploitation of minors. The Charleston County Sheriff's Office, a member of the state's ICAC Task Force, made the arrest.

Investigators say that Mason met the victim through social media and engaged in sexual activity with the minor.

Mason was arrested on September 28, 2015. Mason is charged one (1) count of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor, first degree, (§16-15-395), a felony offense punishable by up to twenty (20) years imprisonment; one (1) count of Dissemination of Obscene Material to a Minor age 18 or younger (§16-15-345), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years; one (1) count of Criminal Sexual Conduct, third degree, (§16-3-654), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years; one (1) count of Distributing Controlled Substance with Intent to commit Criminal Sexual Conduct, third degree (§44-53-370(f)(3)), a felony offense punishable by up to 15 years; and one (1) count of Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor (§16-17-490), a misdemeanor offense punishable by up to 3 years imprisonment.

The case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

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